26 February 1965

Major General Tom V. Stayton
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Dear Tom:

I hasten to reply to your letter of 5 February in connection with the possibility of my talking to the School on April 27th or 29th.

While I have no prior engagement on which I can hang my regrets, I really think I had better cancel out on any plans to get down there this fiscal year, but if I am still gainfully employed next fiscal year, I would be happy to take another crack at it. The fact of the matter is that we are going through so many adjustments and changes of personnel here at the Washington level, and things generally are so disturbed throughout the world and either Mr. McCone or I (being the only two statutory appointees) must be on tab at all times, it is just simply too complicated at the moment to make a commitment.

However, many thanks for thinking of me again and I know we will be in touch.

Preot joins me in affectionate regards to Torchy and you.

Faithfully yours,

l s/ Pat

Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
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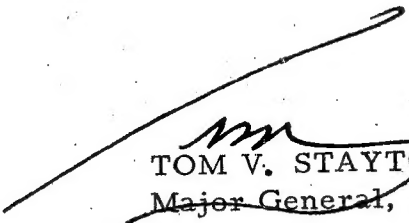FORT BLISS, TEXAS

5 February 1965

Dear Pat,

Just now I'm catching up on my correspondence with
the School for you to make that delayed appearance.   How
about April? We will have a Career Course in residence.
Say April the 27th or 29th? It will be Springtime in the Rockies!
Classification will be Secret-NoForn.

Ruth will be ready at that time to jump off for Europe.
She and her sister who lives in Phoenix have signed up for
a three week tour of Europe.   The Empire Club here has
organized a group trip.   They leave on 28 April.

Our best to Préot.

Sincerely,

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